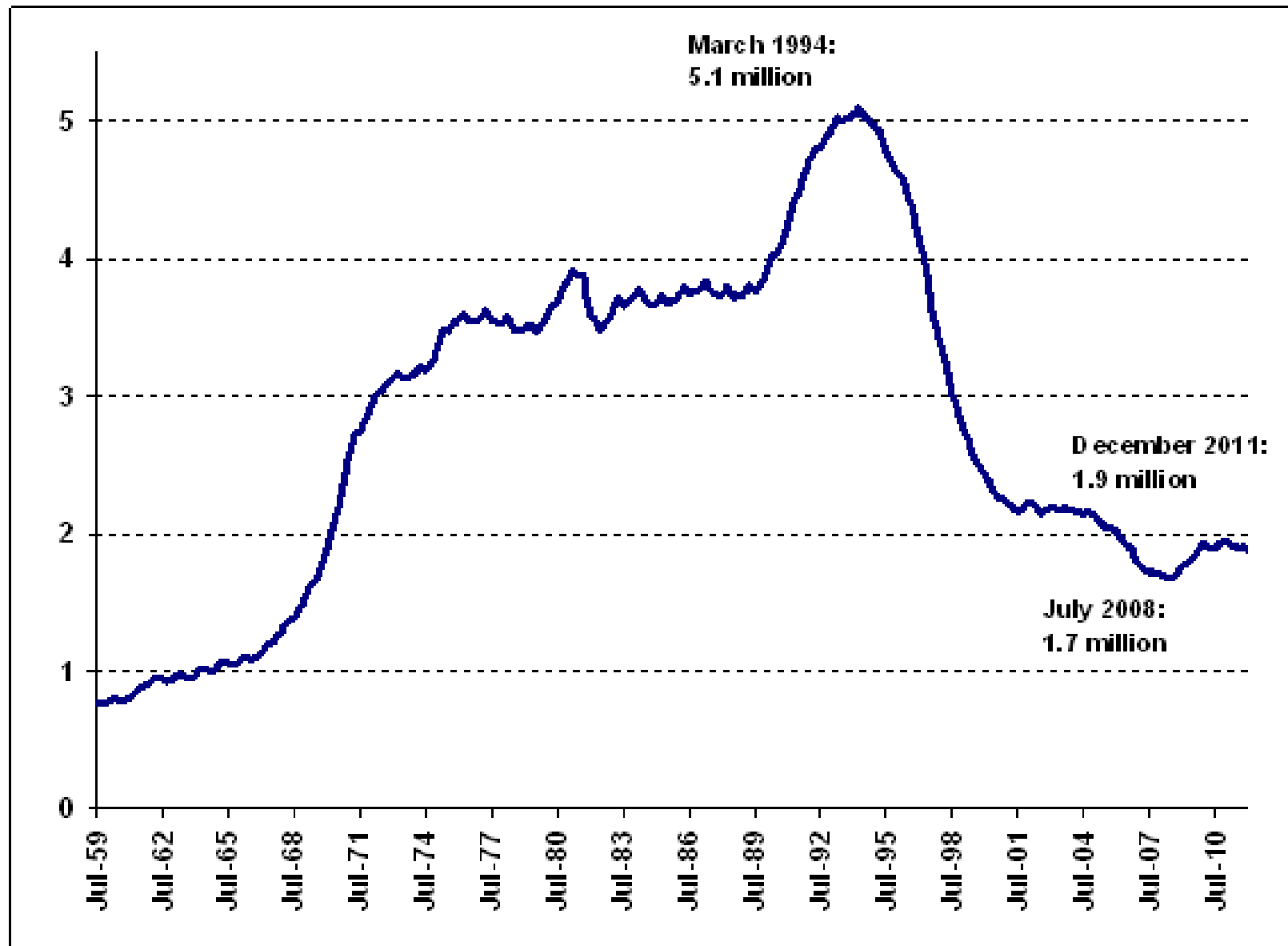


Number of Families Receiving Cash Welfare
(Millions of families, July 1959 to December 2011)



Source: Congressional Research Service (CRS), based on data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).